

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-34 were pending in the above-identified application.

The Examiner maintained all the rejections of claims 1-6, 11-17, 26-27 and 31-34 of the June 23, 2004 Office Action in connection with the above-identified patent application. Claims 1-6, 11-17, 26-27 and 31-34 have been canceled without prejudice. Applicant reserves the right to pursue claims 1-6, 11-17, 26-27 and 31-34 in one or more continuing applications. Applicant respectfully requests that the rejections of claims 1-6, 11-17, 26-27 and 31-34 be withdrawn.

The Examiner maintained the rejections of claims 22-25 of the June 23, 2004 Office Action and allowed claims 7-10, 18-21 and 28-30. Claims 22-25 have been amended to depend from allowed claim 18. Applicant respectfully requests that the rejections of claims 22-25 be withdrawn.

Claims 35-53 have been added. Claims 35-39 correspond to canceled claims 2-6 and are allowable because they have been written to depend from allowed claim 7. Claims 40-45 correspond to canceled claims 11-17 and are

Appl. No. 09/826,527  
Reply dated June 10, 2005  
Reply to Office Action of March 18, 2005

allowable because they have been written to depend from allowed claim 18. Claims 46-50 correspond to canceled claims 31-34 and are allowable because they have been written to depend from allowed claim 28. Claims 51, 52 and 53 correspond to canceled claim 27 and are allowable because they have been written to depend from each of allowed claims 28, 29 and 30, respectively. Accordingly, new claims 35-53 are allowable.

For the reasons set forth above, this application is in condition for allowance. Entry of the amendments and prompt allowance of this application are.

Respectfully submitted,



Hassan Albakri  
(Limited Recognition)  
Agent for Applicant  
FISH & NEAVE IP GROUP  
ROPES & GRAY LLP  
Customer No. 36981  
1251 Avenue of the Americas  
New York, New York 10020-1105  
Tel.: (212) 596-9000